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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Bruno Murari et al.
Application No. : 09/100,838
Filed : June 19, 1998
For : HERMETICALLY-SEALED SENSOR WITH A MOVABLE MICROSTRUCTURE

Examiner : Helen C. Kwok
Art Unit : 2856
Docket No. : 851063.425
Date : January 10, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

Applicants herewith petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents for a 3-month extension of time for filing the response to the Examiner's Action dated July 19, 2000, from October 19, 2000 to January 19, 2001. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$890.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1090. This petition is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruno Murari et al.

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